

**Construction Codes Advisory Board  
Minutes of January 21, 2016**

**Board Members present:**

Greg Gilda  
Judy Tucker  
Len Whalen  
Lachlan Foss

Charlie Beck  
Eric Vander Mey  
Lily Iftner  
Allan Wakeling  
Joseph Malaspino

**Board Members absent:**

Rob Lane  
Jim Safranek

Steve Simpson  
Loren Brandford

**City Staff:**

Maureen Traxler  
Kathleen Petrie

Jon Siu  
Nathan Torgelson  
Rich Richardson (SFD)

**Minutes of January 7, 2016**

CCAB unanimously approved the meeting minutes from January 7, 2016.

**Nathan Torgelson, Director, Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI)**

Nathan Torgelson, the newly confirmed Director of SDCI joined the beginning part of the meeting to meet CCAB members, provide words of thanks, thoughts about the future, and share more about his 25 years' experience in land use, planning and economic development for the City of Seattle and Kent.

**Review of Seattle Building Code Chapter 9**

The meeting began with Rich Richardson of SFD continuing review the proposed 2015 Seattle Fire Code.

Rich identified 3 changes to language he had presented at the December 17, 2015 CCAB meeting. The reason for the changes is that NFPA 13 and IBC language have come into alignment, so the following updates are proposed:

903.3.1.1.2 Bathrooms. Although previously struck out, Rich now proposes to keep the model code language because it is consistent with what will be published in the NFPA 13 2016 edition.

903.3.1.2 NFPA 13R sprinkler systems. Delete the amendment which states that NFPA 13R sprinkler systems are not allowed in mixed use residential buildings unless the only other occupancy is parking associated with the residential use, or the non-residential use is separated to create a separate building.

903.3.1.2.1 Balconies and decks. Although previously struck out, Rich now proposes to keep the model code language

Maureen Traxler continued to show the remaining proposed amendments. She pointed out that the section on carbon monoxide alarms is meant to be the same as the State Code so it may be updated to conform to the final State Code.

The Board had no objections to anything proposed, and voted to recommend approving the draft Chapter 9 of the SBC as presented.

**Continued Review of 2015 Seattle Residential Code**

Maureen Traxler highlighted the changes in the draft 2015 Seattle Residential Code, beginning with Section R311. She pointed out that the sections on carbon monoxide alarms and solar energy systems are meant to be the same as the State Code so they may be updated to conform to the final State Code.

Discussion will resume with further discussion of whether to adopt Appendix U of the Washington State Residential Code.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.